Honolulu On The Move 1 Meeting Notes

Meeting Name: Invasive Species Coordination Meeting
Date: Tues, may 12, 2009 Time: 10:00

Location: Alii Tower small conference room

Organizer: Jan Reichelderfer

Attendees: SDOT, Oahu Invasive Species Committee (OISC) (complete list attached)

Notes prepared by: Jan Approved by:

Meeting Summary: The meeting focused on insuring that the contract documents and the FEIS are up to date with the latest best practices for control of invasive species.

The following summarizes items discussed:

The methods by which the invasive species are addressed in the contract include project wide Design Criteria, Standard Specifications and Special Provisions. The requirements in the current Design/Build contract are modeled after North South Road. There will be an invasive species section in the FEIS.

SDOT is working on standard provision for invasive species with SWCA.

Clean construction equipment is vital for control. Anything arriving at the work site should have been cleaned. Fire Ants like warm electrical equipment. Equipment returning from Australia is important to decontaminate.

Fill is a common method for spreading invasive species.

Recently an island wide survey for invasive plants was performed and is available to us.

A no-plant list will be officially maintained in the future by the Department of Agriculture. Currently industry keeps the list and updates it yearly.

The following summaries conclusions/decisions:

It is important that as best practices are developed that the project keep abreast.

OISC would be available as needed to educate contractors, inspectors, environmental compliance staff, etc. Phone numbers to report pests will be posted on the job site.

It was recommended that in addition to the before and after invasive plant surveys required in the contract, interim inspections be made to look for any invasive plants/pests.

The following summarizes action items:

Contract documents will be written in a way to allow for compliance with updates of the City's standard provisions and the no-plant list.

Plants considered for landscaping will be checked out through a source provided by Rachel. We need to send an email for a plant we are considering and in a few days they will have compiled any issues regarding its invasiveness. Once a plan has been developed for landscaping, SDOT and OISC will be invited to comment.

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